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LEGISLATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
OCTOBER 27, 2003
9:00 A.M.

The City Council met in special session at the above place and date at 9:04 a.m., Mayor Pro Tem Anthony W. Cobos present and presiding and the following Council Members answered roll call: Susan Austin, Robert A. Cushing, Jr., Jose Alexandro Lozano, and John F. Cook. Absent: Daniel S. Power, Paul J. Escobar, and Vivian Rojas.

AGENDA

Any matters posted for Tuesday's Regular Council Meeting of October 28, 2003.

Council Members asked questions on the following items:

1. Discussion and action on the request for El Paso Bench Ads of El Paso, Inc for an extension to its bus franchise which expires December 7, 2003. [David Escobar]

Mayor Pro Tem Cobos questioned Representative Cook about whether or not his Legislative review Committee has met on this yet. Representative Cobos asked Municipal Clerk Richarda Duffy Momsen to call David Escobar and ask him if he'd agree to a two-week (2) postponement of this item.

35: PUBLIC HEARING – REPRESENTATIVE ROBERT A. CUSHING, JR.
[Representative Robert A. Cushing, Jr., (915) 541-4996]

An Ordinance amending Title 13 (Streets Sidewalks and Public Places), Chapter 13.20 (Miscellaneous Street and Sidewalk Use Regulations), Section 13.20.110 (Bus Bench Franchises) to revise provisions related to franchise terms and delete certain civil penalties for illegal bus benches. POSTPONED FROM 09/30/03

Representative Cushing agreed to postpone this item for two (2) weeks.

2: Discussion and action to keep city park fees the same for private schools (Father Yermo Schools represented) that use city facilities for sports practices and games; hardship created due to considerable increase in fees. [Sister Elia Hernandez and Alfredo Palacio]

Representative Austin questioned Ray Cox, Parks and Recreation Director, about the fee schedule as it applies to this group. Mayor Pro Tem Cobos asked Municipal Clerk Richarda Duffy Momsen to call Sister

Elia Hernandez and Alfredo Palacio to see if they still want to discuss this with Council or if they have received a satisfactory answer from the Parks and Recreation Department.

6E: 1. Resolution that the Mayor be authorized to sign the following contracts on behalf of the Arts and Culture Department to present the following groups at the FY04 Music Under the Stars World Festival, to be held at the Chamizal National Memorial, as recommended by the Arts & Culture Department Advisory Board and Staff. (All Districts) [Arts and Culture, Alejandrina Drew, (915) 541-4481]

Funding sources: Fund: 15707, Dept. ID 55010303, Account 502102, Class 55000; Fund: 15470, Dept. ID 55150071, Account 502102, Class 55000

- 1. Sergio Martinez for Sergio Martinez and Dolores Martinez; one performance on Sunday, June 20, 2004; cost of \$4,000.**

Representative Lozano questioned Arts and Culture Director Alejandrina Drew about the fee to be paid to the performers. Mayor Pro Tem Cobos, Representative Austin and Representative Cook commented.

6K: Resolution that the term of the Mayor's Brownfields Redevelopment Task Force is hereby extended for 120 calendar days commencing November 1, 2003, subject to continuation upon authorization by the Mayor and Council;

That the original nine members of the Task Force shall continue in their appointments;

That the Mayor's Brownfields Redevelopment Task Force is hereby authorized to review applications for loans from the Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund (BCRLF) for EPA compliance, for environmental issues that are required to be addressed for the BCRLF, and for community issues. After review, the Task Force shall send recommended projects to the City/County MultiBank Revolving Loan Fund Board, also known as the Revolving Loan Fund Board, for final approval on the merits of the financial plan, review of financial statements, business plan, projected cleanup costs, and evidence of environmental insurance. (All Districts)
[Economic Development, Larry E. Romero, (915) 541-4680]

Representative Cushing and Representative Austin questioned Economic Development Assistant Director Larry Romero about the members of the board, the scope of the board's duties, and the reasons for the proposed change. John Nance, Assistant City Attorney, commented. Representative Cook commented. Chief Administrative Officer Jim Martinez commented.

6V: Resolution that the Mayor and City Council accept the recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and the Department of Parks and Recreation to rename the Washington Park Swimming Pool to "PAUL C. MORENO POOL," and the Washington Park Senior Citizen Center to "HILOS DE PLATA SENIOR CENTER." (District 3) [Parks and Recreation, Ray Cox, (915) 541-4331]

Representative Austin questioned Ray Cox, Parks and Recreation Director, about this item as it applies to the Zoo renovation. Mayor Pro tem Cobos questioned Representative Lozano about the involvement of his constituents in the naming of the center. Deputy Chief Administrative Officer of Quality of Life Deborah Hamlyn and Executive Assistant Laura Uribarri commented.

6CC: Resolution that the Mayor be authorized to sign a Consent to Assignment from NAWA Medical Disposal, L.L.C. to Stericycle, Inc. with respect to the City of El Paso's Contract No. 2003-132 to provide for state-of-the-art medical waste management, including waste collection and transportation, waste tracking, cradle-to-grave waste treatment and ultimate disposal.
[Purchasing Department, Ray Heredia, (915) 541-4316]

Representative Austin questioned Byron Johnson, Director of Purchasing.

23C : BT2004-062 PARKS AND RECREATION

The budget transfer requests a new appropriation to purchase a pool table for recreational use and to recarpet the daycare office. Existing pool table is in bad shape; carpeting is worn out and unsafe. Funds are available in accumulated surplus.

Increase	\$1,800	to	51510107/P50021116311/407001 Est Rev
Increase	\$1,800	to	51510107/P50021116311/508009 Furniture
Increase	\$ 600	to	51510107/P50021116311/407001 Est Rev
Increase	\$ 600	to	51510107/P50021116311/508003 BldgImprvmnts

Representative Austin questioned Ray Cox, Director of Parks and Recreation, and requested a revision of the item.

23D: BT2004-064 BUILDING AND PLANNING SERVICES

Building and Planning Services proposes to appropriate \$294,000 for the design and environmental studies for Sunland Park Drive from Doniphan Drive to the NM/Texas state line. Funding source is FY 03 sale of CO's. (District 8)

Increase	\$294,000	to	31260001/PPWST0301660631/407020	Bond Proc
Increase	\$ 14,000	to	31260001/PPWST0301660631/508051	Prog Mgmt
Increase	\$200,000	to	31260001/PPWST0301660631/508050	Cont A/E
Increase	\$ 80,000	to	31260001/PPWST0301660631/508052	Environ Eng

Representative Austin questioned Terry Quezada, Capital Improvements Program Administrator. Mayor Pro Tem Cobos commented.

33A. An Ordinance amending Ordinance 8064 (The Classification and Compensation Plan) to create the Class of CAPITAL ASSETS MANAGER. Salary Range: \$67,421.27 - \$106,034.39 (EX-E - NEW)

Representative Austin questioned Deputy Chief Administrative Officer of Municipal Services Ed Drusina. Chief Administrative Officer Jim Martinez commented. Bill Chapman, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer of Financial and Administrative Services commented. Representative Cushing commented.

33B. An Ordinance amending Ordinance 8064 (The Classification and Compensation Plan) to revise the Class of ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR. Salary Range: \$80,452.13 - \$126,596.93 (EX-C TO EX-B)

Representative Cushing, Representative Austin and Mayor Pro Tem Cobos questioned Human Resources Director Terry Bond. Chief Administrative Officer Jim Martinez commented.

34F: Resolution that the Mayor be authorized to sign an Amendment to the Contract between the CITY OF EL PASO and ERNEST COCA and wife BERTHA COCA, dated Oct. 11, 1988; to release Conditions #5 and 7, amending Condition 1 to read as follows: "No building shall be located closer than 40 feet to Lots 8 and 9, Nueces Place", amending Condition 8 to read as follows: "No building shall be located closer than 15 feet to the southerly property line adjacent to Tracts 11A & 11B, Block 19, and Tracts 9D, 9E, 9F, 9G, 9H, & 9J, Block 17, YSLETA GRANT, El Paso, El Paso, County, Texas", and adding a new condition requiring detailed site development plan review and approval on the property described as Tracts 9B, 9C, 9KL1, and 9L, Block 17 and Tract 17, Block 19, YSLETA GRANT, El Paso, El Paso County, Texas. Applicant: Ernest & Bertha Coca / Representative: Dorado Engineering, Inc., 2717 E. Yandell, El Paso, TX 79903 (District 3)

[Planning, Research and Development, Kimberly Forsyth, (915) 541-4631] **POSTPONED FROM 10/14/03**

Mayor Pro Tem Cobos requested a postponement as requested by Representative Rojas would be absent for the October 28, 2003, City Council Meeting. Rudy Valdez, Urban Planner, gave back-up information. Representative Cook questioned Representative Lozano about his position on the project. Representative Austin commented. Lisa Elizondo, City Attorney and Assistant City Attorney Matt Watson commented.

21B: Bid No.:	2003-203	Police Motorcycles (Rebid)
Award to:		Edge Kawasaki
		El Paso, Texas
Item (s):		#1
Amount:		\$121,394.10
Department:		Police
Funds available:		508006-27260-04252003-PMB0004130
Funding source:		FY03 City Capital Equipment –
		Certificates of Obligation
Total award:		\$121,394.10
District (s):		All

The Fleet Services, Police and Purchasing Departments recommend award as indicated to the Best Value Procurement. The bid also offered the lowest price.

This is a fixed-price, single (one-time) purchase, to purchase Police Motorcycles. There is an option to purchase up to one hundred percent (100%) of the original contract quantities, at the same unit price, if the option is exercised within six (6) months from the date of award of the contract. No prompt payment discount is offered. [Purchasing Department, Barbara Crumley, (915) 541-4315]

Representative Austin questioned Deputy Chief Administrative Officer of Financial and Administrative Services Bill Chapman about the funding source.

32: PUBLIC HEARING – FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES:

[Financial and Administrative Services, William Chapman, (915) 541-4011]

An Ordinance revising the Fee Schedule for the Fire Department Medical Services System of the City of El Paso and repealing any previous fee structures.

Deputy Chief Administrative Officer of Financial and Administrative Services Bill Chapman offered to answer questions about the fees for ambulance services and gave an explanation of the requested fee revisions. Representative Lozano, Mayor Pro Tem Cobos, Representative Cushing and Representative Austin questioned Mr. Chapman and commented. Chief Administrative Officer Jim Martinez commented.

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Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to adjourn this meeting at 10:17 a.m.
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APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:



Richarda Duffy Momsen, City Clerk